

Aviation Students Honored

Six Aviation and Aviation Technology students were honored this spring. For a listing of other honored students, see page 5.



Mark Gruette:
Aviation
Maintenance
Technology Award



Rodney Howe:
Beechcraft Award



Tracey Riverman:
Ninety-Nines Award
to Female Flight
Student



John Watt:
Beechcraft Award



Andrew Visser:
Beechcraft Award



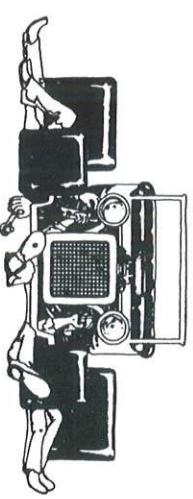
Stephen Woodbury:
Flight Student
of the Year

Vroom-Vroom

The annual LeTourneau University Automotive Society Car Show celebrated its 20th anniversary by doubling in size and moving to the Maude Cobb Activity Center in Longview. More than 70 collectors' cars, motorcycles and new cars were on display during the two-day show held in March.

The Automotive Society Car Show is an annual labor of love for the Society's student-members. All profits from the Show are given to fund LeTourneau University's Summer Missions program. Organizers raised over \$4,500, the largest-ever amount collected from the Show, which is the largest of its kind in the Ark-La-Tex, and twice the size of last year's event.

20th Annual LeTourneau University Automotive Society Car Show



Mrs. Jacquelyn Jamison, president of the Longview Shakespeare Club, presents a book on Shakespearean studies to Dennis Read (right), director of the Estes Library, and Dr. Martin Batts, professor of liberal arts. The Longview Shakespeare Club annually presents the Estes Library with a gift book.



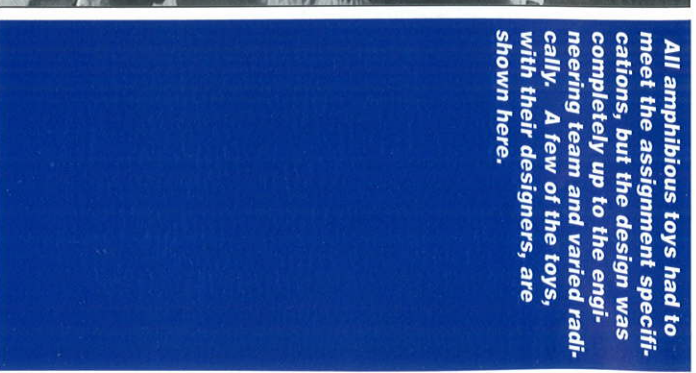
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MISSION NOT IMPOSSIBLE

"Your mission, LeTourneau engineering student, is to build an amphibious toy capable of propelling itself on land and in water. This assignment is part of your Introduction to Engineering Design Course, taught by Dr. John Busch. Should you choose to accept this mission you must design, build and demonstrate your toy in order to pass this course. This message will not self-destruct, and hopefully your vehicle won't either."



All amphibious toys had to meet the assignment specifications, but the design was completely up to the engineering team and varied radically. A few of the toys, with their designers, are shown here.



Sophomore Stephanie Gregor, Longview, Texas, holds the team design as freshman Dan Harrison, Kingston, R.I., uses a portable P.A. system to explain how the prototype works. (Left)



Sophomore Joshua Mayne, Glen Burnie, Md., pushes the toy into deeper water. He and his twin brother, Jesse, designed an air-driven model, using a propeller from a model airplane. (Right)



Junior Armand Mowery, Troup, Texas, adjusts a wheel on his team's design. (Below)



Dennis Read to Lead Forest Trails Library Consortium

Dennis Read, director of Learning Resources, has been elected president of the Forest Trails Library Consortium. The Consortium is made up of 35 public, school, college and university libraries from throughout East Texas. The libraries work together on common projects, including resource listings on CD-ROM, inter-library loans, system-wide library card usage and grant proposals, including one that will electronically link all libraries in the Consortium.

Nearly 100 students were honored for their academic, athletic and leadership abilities at an awards chapel held in April. Students honored were:

American Bible Society Award for Excellence in NT Greek: Dawn Jones, Wesley Sherman

Computer Science Outstanding Senior Award: Jonathan Gardner

Currie Mathematics Scholarship Award: Jennifer Gehman

ECFA Capin Outstanding Accounting Student Award: Denis Knight

Engineering Honor Society: Chung Baik, Shane Barber, David Berryhill, Daniel Chi, Glen Collison, Brian Decker, Andrew Groves, Seth Heasley, Chih-Chiang Hsieh, Shih-Che Huang, Bryan Johnson, Andrew Keller, Michael Kessler, Nathanael King, Matthew Knighton, Robert Lund, Bobby Mihlhauser, Gregory Pickens, Ryan Pinsenschaum, Richard Poorman, Nathaniel Rinda, Tracey Riverman, Wesley Roche, Laurie Salo, Jerred Sandner, Caroline Soliman, Jeffrey Thielman, Peter VanWieren, Charles West

Evelyn LeTourneau Outstanding Senior Woman Award: Amber Hobbs

Nadine Corporation Scholarship Award: Shane Barber, Peter Nicklas

NASA-Jove Summer Research Award: Paul Cox, Jennifer Lawson, Hans Rempel, Douglas Walden

Officer of the Year Award: Jason Duhs

Outstanding Associate of Science & Technology Award: Damon Brown

Good Work!

Outstanding Business Graduate Award: Heather Akins

Outstanding Engineering Technology Student Award: Joel Armstrong

Outstanding Junior Engineering Student Award: David Berryhill

Physical Education Major of the Year Award: Barton Hundley

R.G. LeTourneau Memorial Award: Bobby Muhlause

Student Affairs Service Award: Samuel Logan

Welch Summer Research Award in Chemistry: Sean Brittain, Joshua Coe

William Lowell Putnam Award in Mathematics: John Efford

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges: Heather Akins, Roy Anders, Lois Bartels, David Berryhill, Sean Brittain, Benjamin Burgess, Michael Casey, Daniel Chi, Kenneth Clemmer, Erica Coldwell, Kathy Cuiver, Elizabeth Dabney, Rebecca Diroll, Robert Enloe, Sharron Frohner, Jeffrey Gardner, Paul Glosch, Amber Hobbs, Karen Houston, Rodney Howe, Stephanie Kancel, Michael Kessler, Kenneth Leckie, Lyle Legge, Samuel Logan, James McClurg, Victoria Montfort, Catherine Montoya, Michele Musmanno, Mark Navratil, Gary Olson, Susan Poorman, Larry Rice, Wesley Roche, Melanie Rustenbeck, Daniel Sawyer, Robert See, Wesley Sherman, William Sherman, Sherry Slover, Barbara Sokol, Ticia Swanson, Jeffrey Thielman, Onelia Thrasher, Susan Tourtelot, Andrew Visser, Scott Warren, Charles West

Le.U. to Send Six to the Olympics

LeTourneau University will be well represented at the Olympics this summer in Atlanta. Six students will be on hand to do their best, but they won't be on the courts, fields or tracks; they will be serving as short-term worker-missionaries. The group will serve from July 12 to August 4 as volunteer security officers at several of the dozens of venues and sites.

The enterprise is organized by Youth With a Mission (YWAM) at the request of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. YWAM has provided volunteers to the Olympics since 1972 and plans to place about 1,000 this summer in Atlanta, including LeTourneau students Kim Daharsh, Deborah Doan, Song-Sun Macy, Francis Miawama, Timothy Scott and Henry Soderlund. The primary job is to provide security and answer guests' questions, but between shifts, YWAM volunteers will do street evangelism and witness to the estimated two million people who will converge on Atlanta from around the world. "And even on duty, we can touch people with our Christian attitude," said Miawama.

Student volunteers each pay about \$600 to cover housing, food and transportation. Many of the LeTourneau students have been partially funded with Student Missions funds; money raised through the year in Chapel and from special events.

The six going to Atlanta are not the only students who will minister this summer. Student Missions will also help provide funding for these students:

- **Todd Johnson**, with Campus Crusade for Christ-Athletics in Action in Europe.
- **Heather Kirk**, with TEAM in Venezuela.
- **Shawn Neumann**, with Baptist International Missions, Inc. in Peru.
- **Adine Parker**, with Mother's Choice, Hong Kong.
- **Tracey Riverman**, with HCJB World Radio, Ecuador.
- **Justin Rodes**, Baptist International Missions, Inc., in Peru.
- **Juanita Tallman**, Jungle Aviation and Radio Service (JAARS), Waxhaw, N.C.

Please be praying for each of these student-missionaries as they minister for the Lord this summer. Their impact can change the world.

Kielhorn, Oosterhout Retire

Associate Professors of Engineering William Kielhorn and Dr. Kenneth Oosterhout retired this spring. Prof. Kielhorn had served on the faculty since 1966; Dr. Oosterhout since 1987.

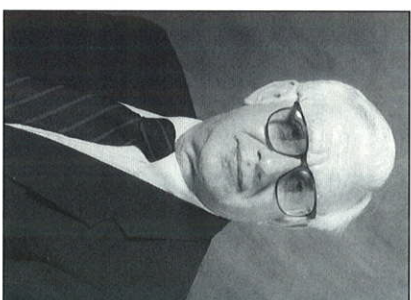
Kielhorn and his wife, Betty, will remain in the area, and he plans to put his welding expertise to use, traveling to camps, churches and mission organizations to assist them with welding and joining needs. Oosterhout and his wife, Robin, will move to a lakeside home near Weatherford, Texas.

"Bill and Ken have served the University for a total of nearly 40 years. We deeply appreciate their service and the ministry they have had to our students. They will be greatly missed," said Dr. Alvin Austin.



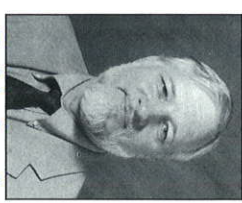
Dr. Kenneth Oosterhout

Francis Miawama, one of six students who will minister at the Olympics this summer.



Professor William "Bill" Kielhorn

FEEZELL, KIELHORN HONORED AS OUTSTANDING FACULTY



Dr. John Feezell

Dr. John Feezell, associate professor of business administration, and Mr. William "Bill" Kielhorn, associate professor of engineering, have been honored with LeTourneau University faculty awards.

Feezell is the University's nominee for the "Minnie Piper Award," sponsored annually by the Minnie Piper Foundation, San Antonio. The statewide competition honors teaching excellence, including research, interaction with students and innovative teaching techniques.

Kielhorn was presented the "Robert H. Selby Award for Faculty Excellence." This is given to the faculty member who exemplifies high standards in teaching, helpfulness to students, dedication to the University and Christian higher education.

PLEASE PRAY!

Keith Glass, assistant professor of engineering, has had to take a medical retirement and is battling cancer.

We firmly believe in the power of prayer and ask you to join us as we bring him before the Lord. Keith is a '51 LeTourneau alum and has served at the University since 1968.

Please pray for him and his wife, Kay, and family. If you would like to encourage Keith with a card or note, feel free to write him at 307 Magnolia Lane, Longview, TX 75605.



Prof. Glass works with student Cheryl Allen in this 1993 photo.

LeTourneau University



Rogers Pope, Sr.



Dr. Austin and Earl Roberts, Jr.

Co-Chairs Rogers Pope, Sr. and Earl Roberts, Jr. led the highly successful "Longview Campaign for LeTourneau University," which raised \$675,750 for the Shaping Tomorrow Campaign. LeTourneau staff and faculty have contributed another \$148,000 toward the fundraising effort.

SHAPING TOMORROW CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The Longview Campaign for LeTourneau University

"THANKS, LONGVIEW!"
We met and surpassed our \$500,000 goal, raising \$675,750!

The "Longview Campaign for LeTourneau University" has been more than successfully completed just six months after its announcement, reports LeTourneau President Alvin O. Austin. "Our goal was to raise \$500,000. But thanks to a very warm and enthusiastic response from local friends, we saw \$675,750 come in, exceeding the goal by more than 35 percent. We are very grateful for this wonderful show of support for the University."

The amount raised does not include an additional \$148,000 given by LeTourneau University faculty and staff. Together, \$823,750 has been donated from the East Texas area.

The Longview campaign is part of a larger national 50th anniversary fundraising campaign called "Shaping Tomorrow." The University is raising \$16 million over a three-year period to fund new facilities, student aid and general program support. The Shaping Tomorrow campaign, set to conclude in 1997, is also on target, with more than \$11 million raised in the past two years.

Over 100 corporations, businesses and individuals have participated in the Longview campaign. Major donors include Longview Bank and Trust, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Barrow, Dr. and Mrs. Bill Hughes, Bank One, Pilgrims Pride, Longview National Bank, Scot Industries, City National Bank, SWEPSCO, Texas Eastman, First National Bank of Longview and Vertex.

"This result would not have been possible without the tremendous assistance of our Campaign Leadership Committee, co-chaired by Rogers Pope, Sr. and Earl Roberts, Jr. These men and women worked closely with us to help achieve this stunning result," said Austin. Other members of the Longview Campaign for LeTourneau University Leadership Committee were Linda Barrow, Tommy Barrow, Jim Baugh, Mark Boon, Delbert Bright, Wells Burton, Paul Folzenlogen, Lou Galosy, Henry Gossett, Lynn Graybill, Howard Hackney, Todd Holman, Keith Honey, Bill Hughes, Chuck King, Bart McCoy, Latricia Nichols, Paul Norton, Tom Richards and Brad Tidwell.

The University is already seeing fruit from its fundraising campaigns. The Solheim Recreation and Activity Center, a \$7.1 million sports and recreational complex, is being funded from the Shaping Tomorrow campaign. It is currently in the final stages of construction and will be ready for use when students return to classes in the fall.



Centerpiece of the project is a double-sized basketball and volleyball court with seating for 1,200. Visible mid-way up the wall is a portion of the .10 mile indoor jogging track.



All exterior building construction is done. Attention is now focused on interior finish work and construction of parking, drainage and the six outdoor tennis courts.

Solheim Center Update Center Nears Completion



The old gymnasium includes a new cushioned hardwood floor. Here the floor is marked for painting stripes which will mark the volleyball and basketball courts.

Ask Bill Davis, construction superintendent for the Solheim Recreation and Activity Center, what one of his major problems has been as the project nears completion and he'll share the following:

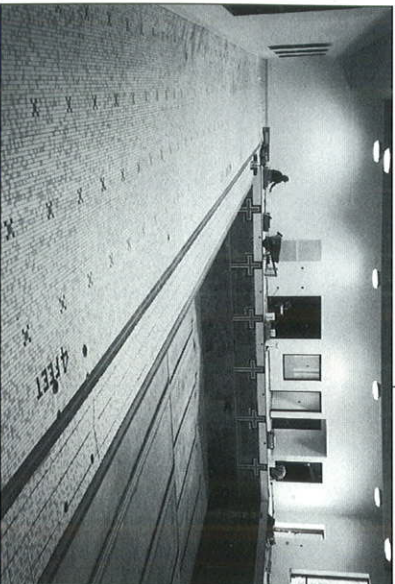
"Keeping people out of the building as we work to finish it! Everyone wants to personally check it out and see the progress for themselves."

It is, unquestionably, a fascinating building. Official tours given to students, staff and faculty consistently elicit "oohs," "ahs" and "wows" as they see the new

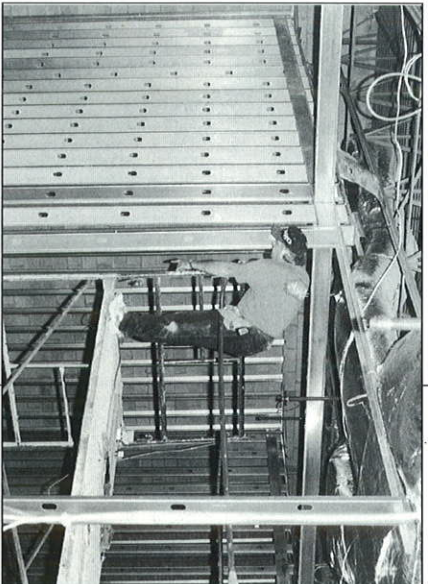
gymnasium, the indoor running track, 25-yard indoor pool, three racquetball courts, the beautifully renovated old gymnasium and a variety of wellness and training areas.

The \$7.1 million project is right on schedule and will be ready for students returning this fall.

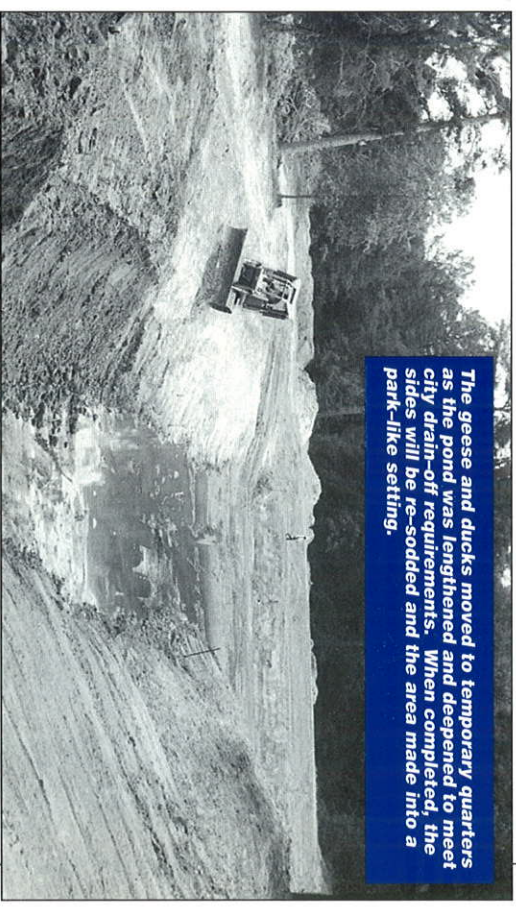
The Solheim Center is a direct result of the Shaping Tomorrow campaign, a three-year, \$16 million capital campaign in honor of LeTourneau University's 50th anniversary. Current giving to the campaign has surpassed \$11 million.



The "crosses" on the far wall and the tile stripes mark the lanes for the natatorium. The regulation-sized pool has 6 lanes and is 25 yards long. A state-of-the-art electronic timing system will allow sanctioned competitive swimming events.



Steel studs are positioned for the racquetball courts. There are three indoor courts.



The geese and ducks moved to temporary quarters as the pond was lengthened and deepened to meet city drain-off requirements. When completed, the sides will be re-sodded and the area made into a park-like setting.

LeTourneau University's First Fifty Years

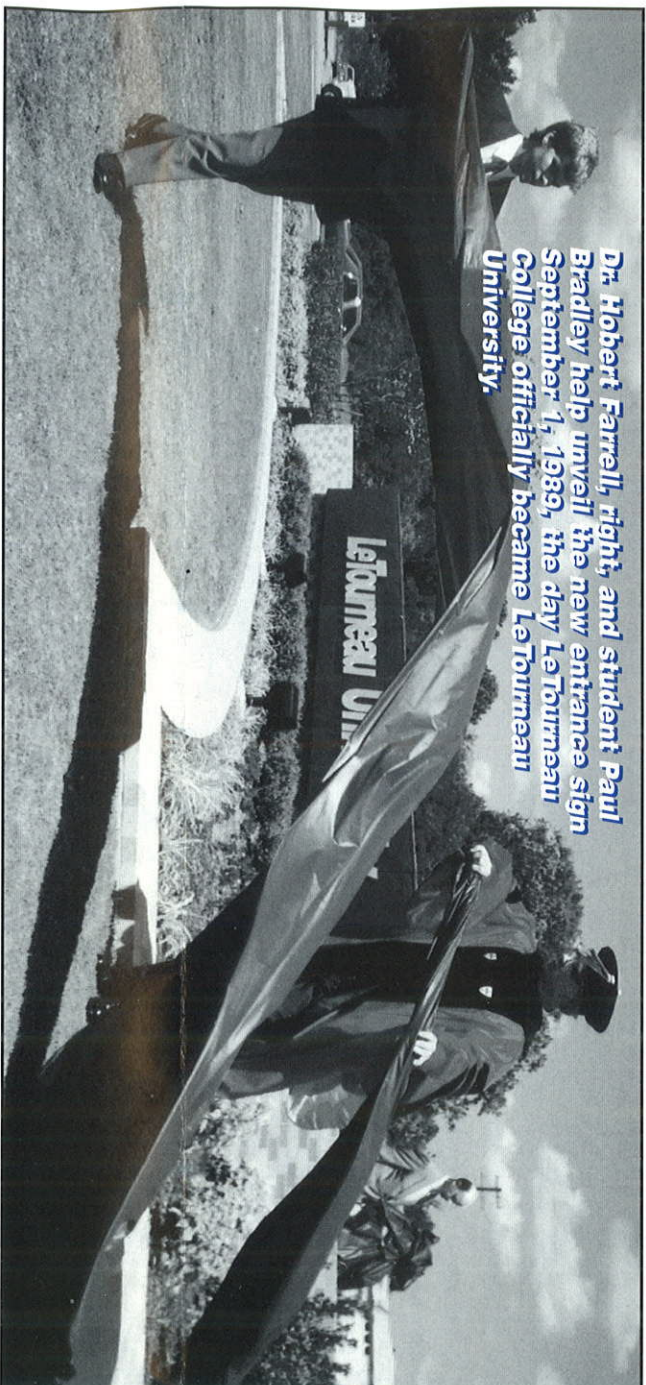
This is the last in a series of excerpts from Dr. Ken Durham's new book commemorating the history of LeTourneau University. The book and our 50th Anniversary video are available for sale. Order your copies today.

A New Vision: LeTourneau Becomes a University

Many at LeTourneau sensed that the college's strong professional programs in engineering, technology and business, and the strength and diversity of the student body were not well-perceived by the outside world. To provide greater recognition for the school's stature and programs, President Alvin Austin encouraged a study on the feasibility of changing LeTourneau from a college to a university. This change would make graduates more marketable among corporations and also make the institution eligible for support from more sources, as

the name "college" often was linked to a two-year school, or internationally, to a high school. The Board of Trustees accepted the committee's recommendation, which became official in September 1989. A special ceremony unveiling the new LeTourneau University sign at the main entrance on Moberly Avenue inaugurated this new era in the school's history.

Simultaneous with the name change was the development of the R. G. LeTourneau Memorial Park, located on the mall just south of the burial site. The park included a circular plaza behind which were placed three of R. G.'s earlier earthmoving machines. The focal point of the plaza was an 8-foot-tall bronze statue of R. G. LeTourneau...sculpted by Keith Knoblock of Heyworth, Ill.



Dr. Robert Farrell, right, and student Paul Bradley help unveil the new entrance sign September 1, 1989, the day LeTourneau College officially became LeTourneau University.

Mom LeTourneau's Recipes for Living

A popular NOW feature during the 1970s and 1980s was the recipe by co-founder Evelyn "Mom" LeTourneau. During our 50th anniversary year we have been reprinting some of those recipes that our readers still use. This is our final recipe.

Tamale Pie

3 onions, peeled and chopped	3 tablespoons chili powder	1 large can tomato puree	1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons olive oil	1/2 teaspoon oregano	1 can cream-style corn	3 cups boiling water
2 pounds ground chuck	1/2 teaspoon basil	1 cup yellow corn meal	1 cup pitted ripe olives
1 teaspoon salt	2 tablespoons sugar	1/2 cup cold water	1/4 cup grated cheese

Cook onions in oil until golden. Add meat. Cook and stir until lightly browned. Sprinkle salt, chili powder, herbs and sugar over meat while cooking. Don't let it cook dry. Add tomato puree. Simmer 1 hour, stirring occasionally. Taste. Add more salt if needed.

Mix corn meal with cold water and salt. Stir into boiling water. Cook, stirring over low heat, about 10 minutes. As it cooks, spoon some of the liquid from the meat skillet into the corn meal mixture so it will have the chili flavor.

Start oven at moderate (350 degrees). Grease 2 1/2 to 3-quart casserole. Put layer of corn meal mixture in prepared casserole. Add meat sauce with corn added, and dot with olives. Spread remaining corn meal mixture on top. Sprinkle with grated cheese. Brown 15 minutes or until bubbly.

Makes 8 generous servings. Multiply by 1,000 for 8,000 servings.

How to Serve Dinner for 8,000

"Shortly after we had opened our plant at Vicksburg, Mississippi, Mr. R. G. came home one day and said he wanted to invite all the people of the city to a dinner. It was to be a plant dedication, and he wanted me to serve my Tamale Pie. When I asked how many he planned for, I found that he was thinking of several thousand.

I didn't see how I could possibly do it, but Mr. R. G. always gave me credit for being able to do anything. To him it did not seem a problem: If I had the recipe for eight, why not for 8,000? Just multiply 8 x 1,000. I said there was not a kettle big enough, but that didn't stop him either.

He took a long sheet of steel, rounded it in the middle, bent up each side, and then bent a lip out about six inches so it would set on a steel framework. The bottom of the kettle was 2 1/2 feet from the cement floor, allowing space for the fire. The kettle was 4'x4'x15'. A bench was placed on each side of the kettle, and four boys stood on each bench and stirred the mixture with garden hoes.

Imagine the surprise of the man at the market when I came in and asked for a ton of hamburger! He nearly fainted.

All the ingredients were put in the big kettle, and when the food was ready to be served, we used a crane to set it on a frame which was on wheels. A shelf for plates, spoons, and rolls was attached, and the whole kettle was pulled down the aisle with a small tractor. Ten girls served on each side. Well, we fed about 8,000, and in less than 1 hour."



In 1989 the University honored R. G. LeTourneau with a memorial park and statue. The base of the statue depicts R. G.'s inventions.

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GRADUATE, ADULT CONTINUING STUDIES DIVISION

Best in Texas and Getting Better



A classroom project required by adjunct instructor Ilene Foote brought Crownover and Weber together when they worked together in her Business Communications course, one of the courses required in the Business Management degree program.

The Dallas-based Texas Nameplate Company, Inc., owned by LeTourneau student Dale Crownover, has been named as a 1996 Texas Quality Award winner, one of just three companies to be accorded this honor.

Sponsored by the Quality Texas Foundation, the Texas Quality Award is an annual statewide competition recognizing Texas organizations that excel in quality management, quality achievements and customer satisfaction. Patterned after the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, the award is given to organizations that are role models of business and operational excellence in Texas.

Crownover and another LeTourneau student, Scott Weber, who serves as the company's manager of finance, are enrolled in LeTourneau's Adult Education Program in Dallas. They are working toward a bachelor's degree in business management and plan to graduate next year.

According to Crownover and Weber, the company, which makes identification labels and nameplates for a variety of products and equipment, was recognized because of its commitment to Total Quality Management (TQM) principles. TQM is a manufacturing system that integrates the highest standards of quality from the beginning to the end of the process. Each step, from initial order taking through final delivery to the customer, is carefully analyzed to ensure a superior product. "We are committed to providing products that conform to all established requirements and exceed the expectations of our customers," said Crownover, who grew up in the business, taking it over from his father in 1988. Weber, who met Crownover at LeTourneau, noted that quality management is more than a slogan, it is a way of life. "Employees are empowered and allowed to make the important decisions," he said. "They are allowed at any time to stop production if they feel quality or safety is being sacrificed because of a program."

Texas Nameplate's commitment to quality has earned it a string of honors and awards in the past few years for the quality of its products and on-time delivery rate. Fisher Controls has named it "Supplier of the Year" six out of the last seven years. The Lockheed Company gave it the "Star Supplier Award" in 1994. The City of Dallas' Water Utilities Board has twice awarded Texas Nameplate its "Blue Thumb" award for outstanding environmental quality controls



Two employees punch out holes in etched aluminum identification nameplates, one of the company's primary products. Employees are "empowered" to stop production at any time if they feel quality or safety is being sacrificed.

(the company's waste water standards are 900 percent higher than government standards). The company has also been entered in the national Malcolm Baldrige award competition, and if it wins, would be the smallest business in the United States to earn the prestigious award. The company currently employs 54, with about \$3 million in annual sales.

Although many Total Quality Management procedures were in place before Crownover began his LeTourneau study program, he credits LeTourneau for its commitment to quality and to the caliber of instruction he has received. "My return to the classroom inspired me to establish educational programs and incentives for my employees who wish to obtain their high school or college degrees," he said. Texas Nameplate pays for 90 percent of their tuition costs and brings in an outside educator for employees preparing for the high school equivalency exam. He also credits LeTourneau adjunct professor Ilene Foote for bringing him together with Scott Weber. Weber had been employed as a project manager for a national retail chain, but as the two worked together on a class project in Foote's Business Communication course, they realized that Weber's training and abilities would be a natural fit for Texas Nameplate. Weber joined the company about six months ago and immediately noticed two things: the focus on working together to achieve common goals and the way the business is committed to customer satisfaction.

When Crownover and Weber graduate in May 1997, they will be the first two employees to hold a college degree. "But we won't be the last," said Crownover. "We are already encouraging several more employees to enroll at LeTourneau. It's a great school. Both Scott and I have greatly benefited from what we have learned at LeTourneau."

A New LeTourneau Tradition

There's a new University tradition in the making at the Houston Education Center: the Class Wall.

Lining a long hall way all students must pass to go to the classrooms, the Class Wall commemorates classes that have completed their study programs.

It started with bachelor's Class 106, the first-ever class to enroll at LeTourneau-Houston. Each class member that completed the program was listed. Since that first plaque appeared, other Houston classes have taken up the idea of leaving something behind. Class 115, for example, provided a class photo and this note of encouragement: "If we can do it, you can do it." Class 125 left a list reminding every one of the "73 course

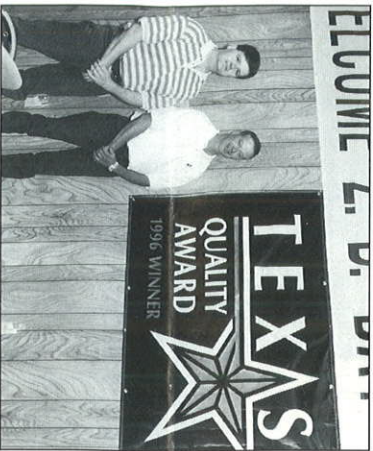
sessions, 292 hours, 17,520 minutes and 1,051,200 seconds" they had spent working toward their degree.

What started as a casual enterprise has rapidly taken on the trappings of pomp and tradition. Class 141 had each member's name engraved on a bronze plate that was mounted on blue velvet in a dark wooden frame and a very appropriate scripture from James 5: 11: "Blessed are those who have persevered." When MB15, the first-ever Houston Master's level class graduated, they joined the undergraduate classes with an elaborate plaque, class photograph and scriptural quotation.

Dr. Bill Piernot, director of the Houston Center, carefully alerts each graduating class that the University neither

expects nor requires these gifts from classes. The advice falls on deaf ears. "The tradition seems to be getting stronger with each class as they want to leave something to encourage those working toward a degree and perhaps leave a tangible part of themselves at LeTourneau University. Current classes are already putting their head together to decide what the class will do when they finish the program," said Piernot.

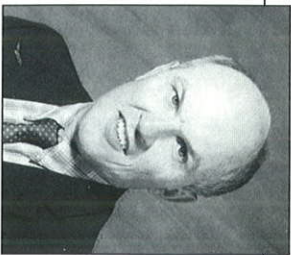
Dr. Piernot encourages alumni and friends to stop by the center and see the Class Wall. The Houston Center is located at Three Riverway, Suite #130, in the Galleria area.



LeTourneau students Dale Crownover (right) and Scott Weber stand next to a banner recognizing The Texas Nameplate Company, Inc., as a 1996 Texas Quality Award winner, one of only three companies in Texas to be so honored. Award-winning companies "excel in quality management, quality achievements and customer satisfaction." Crownover is president of the company and Weber is manager of finance.



Houston-area graduates Dennis Redding, El Lago, Texas, and Gwen Garey, Stafford, Texas, find a church worship banner to be particularly appropriate. The Houston commencement program graduated 107 bachelor's and master's students, and was held May 11 in the beautiful Metropolitan Baptist Church. President Austin brought the commencement address.



"...A Very Good Year"

That phrase from a popular song of some years ago aptly describes the most recent year for the LeTourneau University athletic program. The men's cross country, volleyball, soccer and women's basketball, all advanced to post-season play as reported earlier.

The baseball team also had an outstanding year, setting a single-season win record with a fantastic 32-18 season. The team qualified for the Big State Conference (BSC) tournament and took third place.

LeTourneau athletes performed well in the classroom this year as well. The overall grade point average for student-athletes for both semesters was about 2.74 with a number of students earning academic honors.

Staff Update

Wendi Gibbs (no relation to the *NOW* editor Bill Gibbs) has joined the LeTourneau coaching staff as volleyball coach and is "off and running" with a heavy emphasis on recruiting being her first priority. Coach Gibbs coached most recently at Spring Hill High School in Longview where her team earned a 19-6 record and advanced to post-season play. While a student at Harding University, she played on three Arkansas Interscholastic Conference championship teams during her four-year career.

Kilgore High School soccer coach Tom Wait will join the Yellowjacket soccer staff as an assistant coach beginning in August. The scheduling of Texas high school soccer as a spring sport allows Coach Wait to retain his position at Kilgore while assisting Jacket head soccer coach Steve Barrett. Barrett and Wait were teammates at Liberty University (Va.).

Yellowjacket men's basketball coach Bill Robinson is completing work on his master's degree at the University of Texas at Tyler, and had an interesting experience as part of his graduation requirements. Robinson worked in the front office of the Dallas Mavericks NBA team and spent a good deal of time working directly with Maverick Director of Player Personnel Keith Grant in the evaluation of talent in preparation for the upcoming NBA draft.

Students Excel

A number of student-athletes earned significant post-season honors during the most recent campaigns.



James Wright

All-American Scholar-Athletes included Daniel Nicky and Charles West, Cross Country; Aaron Knaub, Men's Basketball; and Seth Norton, Soccer.

James Wright, a junior defender, was named NCCAA First-Team All-American and was joined on the All-BSC team by Justin Hogg and Robert Bellows.

by Dr. Richard Beach
Athletic Director



Senior hitter Deanne Lee earned All-BSC honors in volleyball, capping a fine career with the Ladyjackets.

Senior Aaron Knaub was an NCCAA Honorable Mention All-American and joined Junior Adam Culver in earning NCCAA All-Region and All-BSC honors in men's basketball.

Junior Tracey Pepper and Sophomore Teresa (Denton) Sabatino both earned All-BSC honors in women's basketball.



Bryan Pauler

Denton married Yellowjacket soccer goalkeeper Raymond Sabatino in an early May ceremony.

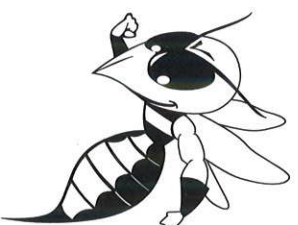
Senior catcher Bryan Pauler earned All-BSC honors in baseball. Pauler combined excellent defensive skills with a hot bat to earn the honor.

Individual program MVP's for this year included Brent Lann and Justin Rodas (cross country), Deanne Lee (volleyball), Justin Hogg (soccer), Aaron Knaub (men's basketball), Tracey Pepper and Teresa Denton (women's basketball) and Brad Cox (baseball).

Tracey Pepper earned the prestigious Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award presented to the participant in the athletic program who is judged to best combine athletic and academic performance with a strong Christian testimony. Pepper, a Junior, is from Tatum, Texas and transferred to LeTourneau this year from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

'Jackets Score in Cyberspace

The LeTourneau athletic program enjoys a prominent spot in cyberspace thanks to the work of Mark Roedel, a member of the University information technology staff. Roedel maintains the University's home page and has included current athletic material since the page's inception. You can stay "up to the minute" with the 'Jackets on the Web at the following: <http://www.letu.edu> and choose the "University Information" and "Athletics" hypertext links. Please check out all the other great LeTourneau information at the other links within the page.



Intramural Teams Shine

Intramural Director Bill Robinson reports several teams had outstanding seasons in events this year. Teams are organized by living area or common interests and can compete in nearly 20 different events. Sweepstakes winners represent both team and individual accomplishments.

1995-1996

Sweepstakes Winners:

Men—Tyler 1B; Women—SW Wing

Team Sport Winners:

Football: Men—Tyler 1B;
Women—NW Wing

Soccer: Men—Tyler 4-B;
Women—SW Wing

Volleyball: Men—Tyler 4B;
Women—Married/Off Campus

Basketball: Men—Tyler 1B;
Women—Married/Off Campus

Softball: Men—Tyler 1A;
Women—Married/Off Campus

Upcoming Alumni Meetings

JULY 22
Portland, OR area
6:15
Dinner (optional)
7:15
Program

JULY 25
Seattle, WA
7:30 Program

AUGUST 3
North Texas
Alumni Tailgate Party
and Rangers Baseball,
Arlington, TX
5:30
Tailgate Party
6:30
Devotional with
Rangers Chaplain
John Weber
7:35
Rangers vs. Chicago
White Sox

AUGUST 3
EAA Oshkosh Alumni
Dinner/Program,
Oshkosh, WI
7:00
Dinner
8:00
Program

NOVEMBER 8, 9 & 10
Homecoming

Call/E-mail the Alumni
Office for locations
and to RSVP.



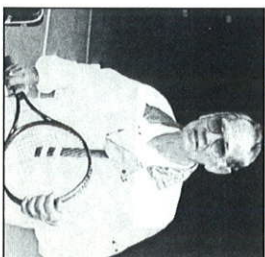
HOMECOMING '96: "FIT FOR THE FUTURE"

Plan now to attend Homecoming '96: "Fit for the Future," November 8-9-10. Join us for the dedication of the new Solheim Center, special athletic events, and lots of opportunities to catch up with old friends and classmates.

More information will be sent to alumni this fall. Watch for it in the mail.

Alumni Update

50's



John Deurwaarder (IS '53) reports that at 80 years old he is still playing tennis three times a week and runs a small plastics engraving business. He and his wife were Dorn Monitors while attending LeTourneau.

Eluid Arrazate ('56-'60) has worked for the Exxon Company for 28 years. He is an instructor at the company's Houston training center.

Lee Cunningham (EE '62-'63) reports that he is pursuing a call to the ministry and attending Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. His son, Matt, plans to attend LeTourneau this fall.

L.V. "Bud" McGuire (IE '65) is currently the Vice President of Operations for Kerr-McGee in the Gulf of Mexico Region and has been transferred to Lafayette, La.

Ruth "Stellrecht" Tucker (HI '67) recently authored her twelfth book, "Seasons of Motherhood: A Garden of Memories."

Gary Jagodzinski (AT '74) now works as a pilot for Northwest Airlines in Minneapolis, Minn.

Debra J. Collum Wells ('72-'73), wife of Bill Wells (ME '74) was ordained as a Deacon in June during the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Debra is the pastor of Riverview United Methodist Church in Brooklyn Park, Minn. and is also a police chaplain.



Dale Gible (IE '74), center, chairs with Dr. Bill Piernot, right, director of the Houston Educational Center. Seated is Mrs. Gible. Over 40 alumni gathered for a Houston-area reception in March. Featured speaker was Rob Bryant (BM '93, MBA '95), president of the Alumni Association.

Thomas Silvey (WE '74) was appointed manager, International Business Center Development, Asia with Westinghouse Corporation.

Keith Wyckoff (WE '74) is employed with Cybo Robots in Indianapolis, as an applications engineer. He wanted his fellow Auto Society gear heads to know he worked on the Lingenfelter Firebird that appeared in the February issue of "Car & Driver."



Rick (BI/MI '75) and Carol McArthur wish to announce the birth of Valerie Noelle on 1/17/96.

Alan Griffin (AT/BI '78) married Amanda Flake on 11/11/95 in Little Rock, Ark. He is currently working at Air Transport International as an engine analyst.



Bill Young (HI '76) is currently the pastor of Community Bible Church in Baton Rouge, La. He had the opportunity earlier this year to teach "The New Testament" in the Soviet Union for two weeks.

80's



Ben Cowles (AUT '81) recently accepted a position as facilities director at the New Life Ranch in Watts, Okla.

Larry (WT '81) and Cathy Craig had their second child, David Alan, on 10/4/95.

Dan (MT '81) and Karen "Hertzog" (BY '81) Dudeck are going into full-time mission work.

Dan will be the new ranch manager at Camp Redcloud, a Christian Challenge Center near Lake City, Colo. The directors of the camp are **Dan (RE '79) and Ruthanne (PE '79) Fie**.

David LeMaire (AT '82) is currently working as director of maintenance/pilot with Jet International Management in Easton, Md. Corporate flight department for Sir Bernard Ashley, (Laura Ashley Co.) USA & Europe.

Dan (AT '83) and Chuy Hall continue their ministry at the Mexican Indian Training Center in Cordoba, Mexico.

Jeff (ET '83) and Deborah LeCureux E-mailed us from Sri Lanka where they work for Trans World Radio. They celebrated their 11th anniversary on 5/11/96.



Thomas (ET/AT '83) and Elfreida Makil announce the birth of Mariah LeVonne on 1/15/96.

Ray (MT '84) and Renee Moffat were blessed with a little girl on 12/19/95. Raeanne Elizabeth joins her three older brothers in their Orlando, Fla. home.

Jeff (BU/AT '84) and Patti Moser are proud to announce the arrival of Joshua on 9/20/95.

Jeff currently works as a pilot for the Colorado Rockies.

Kenneth Saxe (BU '84) is now the vice president and senior operations officer of City National Bank in Longview, Texas.

Greg (ME '85) and Alison Hammack announce the birth of Benjamin Andrew on 2/9/96.



Bruce (AT '85) and Jenni McMillin welcomed daughter Katelyn Lee to their family on 3/7/96. They plan to return to Zaire this summer where they work with AIM/Alfa.



Don (WT '85) and Mary Wolfman announce the birth of their third child, Jenna Elizabeth on 12/2/95.

Norm (CSE '86) and Susan Cramer announce the birth of Nathan Troy on 12/25/95.

Bruce (EE '86) and Nicole Schiek of Saranac, N.Y. were blessed with the birth of Megan Christina on 5/5/96.

Larry (AT '86) and Linda Whiting have returned to the US to receive medical treatment for one of their children. They work with MAF and hope to return to Indonesia in the future.

Jeff Baumann (AT '87) is living in Stockbridge, Ga., and works for Delta Air Lines Flight Operations Department in Atlanta.

Max Fritz (CST '85-'87, BM '94) has moved to Aurora, Colo. and is working for Galileo International.

Valerie "Korth" (BU '87) and Robert Palmer (MT/DT '88) announce the birth of their son Chase Robert on 2/9/96. Also, Robert received an Executive MBA from Arizona State University on 5/1/96.

Gary (MT '87) and Ingrid Rich welcomed their third child, Victoria Lin, on 3/25/96. They are currently in Calif. on a six-month furlough from their work with Wycliffe in Peru.

Todd (ME '87) and Alisa Roebke announce the birth of Mathew Todd on 10/28/95.

Daniel C. Lam (ME '87) married Anita C. Stafford on 9/30/95. He received his Masters of Divinity and is presently working at Cox & Dinkins, Inc., a civil engineering firm in Columbia, S.C.

John Kuvshnikov (ET/AT '88) is currently working as a pricing representative for Dade International in Deerfield, Ill.

Dean (ME '88) and Bobbe (PE '87) Nixon announce the birth of Drew Brian on 10/21/95. A few weeks after his birth, Drew was diagnosed with IPN, a rather rare disease. He is fine today and his parents are praising God for the miracle He worked in their lives.

Brent (WE '88) and Lisa Widder announce the birth of Conner Scott on 11/25/95.

Mark (AUT/AMT '88) and Anja Yarrick are pleased to announce the birth of Michael William on 4/19/96 in Dordrecht, the Netherlands.

John (CSE '89) and Kathy Andersen announce the birth of Kendra Lynne on 2/27/96.

Melanie (BU '89) and Patrick (IM '89) Bertsche announce the birth of Tiffany Joy on 4/11/96.



Otto (MT '89) and April (CH '86) Habeger visited the campus this summer. They have been working with JAARS in Sudan and plan to go to Kenya at the end of the summer.

David (ET/AT '89) and Carolyn Hansen came by the Alumni Office recently. They live in Berea, Ky. where David works for Dade International.

Artlin K. Hobbie (CST '89) married Rene' Reinholz on 4/27/96 at the Houston First Church of the Nazarene in Houston, Texas.

Ginger "Greer" (EN '89) and Scott Johnson (ATFL '95) moved to Indianapolis, Ind. Scott is currently working for Best Lock, Inc. Ginger transferred from DFW to Cincinnati and will begin her seventh year as a flight attendant for Delta Airlines.

Paul (MT '89) and Mae Krug have a second child, Caleb Nathaniel, born 4/2/96. Paul works in the family business, G. Krug & Sons, Inc. in Baltimore, Md.



Brent (MT '89) and Kimberly (87-'89) McNeese welcomed a daughter to their family on 2/17/96. Ashleigh Nicole joins brothers Hunter and Etan.

Richard Bringhurst (CST '90) married Sharon Lee Birtwistle on 5/18/96 in Pa.

LeTourneau alumni in the wedding were Jeff Lawton (CH '90), Jeff Short (EE '90) and Tim Sharpe ('85-'87).

Dan (EE '90) and Lara "Wallace" (CS/MA '91) Rose announce the birth of their second daughter, Marcia Anne, on 3/1/96.

Deborah (AC/BU '90) and Tom (MT '91) Genard announce the birth of Caleb Aubrey on 2/8/96.

Marlin (ET '91) and Ruth Brubaker had their first child on 3/2/96. Her name is Lara Louise.

Matt Bulthuis (BU/MK '91) has started a new business named SmartGate Corporation Internet Services located in Elmhurst, Ill.

Kevin Roundhill (ME '91) is currently working as an engineer at The Boeing Company in Everett, Wash.

Stephen E. Schunk (AMT '91) reports he has negotiated his bachelor's degree in history for under \$20,000 and inside eight years!

Jonathan (EE '92) and Melissa Black now have a son, Joshua David, born 12/11/95. They live in Ellettsville, Ind. where Jonathan works for Technology Service Corp.

Mary Fleischer (BM '92) married David Ware on 5/25/96. They currently live in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Jasen Jacobsen (CST '92) is currently working at Verifone, Inc. in Clearwater, Fla. He is a software engineer working with the Integrated Systems Division.

Phil ('91-'92) and Christy Krause were surprised by the birth of Rachel Christine on 2/21/96. She was born unexpectedly at home and caught one-handed by her father. Rachel is the granddaughter of Harold (BI '68) and Carol Krause.

Ray Rising, Jr. (AT '92) and his family rejoice that Ray Rising, Sr., kidnapped in Colombia while working with Wycliffe Bible Translators has been safely returned!

Scott (AMT/BM '93) and Montl Channon announce the birth of Bethany Carol on 9/21/95. Scott works as a Business Manager in Cleveland, Texas.

Titus Crabb (EE '93) is living in Longview, Texas, and working for Automation Systems International, Inc.

Richard (ATBS '93) and Kerrie Wenzel announce the birth of Emily Claire on 3/20/96. The Wenzels recently moved to upstate New York where Rich works as a charter pilot.

Bruce (ME '94) and Candace "Brown" (PL '94) Beathan were blessed with the birth of Jeremiah Andrew (their first) on 5/31/96.



Dean (ATBS '94) and Renate Dekoster announce the birth of Andreas Philipp on 2/28/96.



Michael (BU '94) and Yara Gehlert are happy to announce the birth of Emilee Joy on 3/7/96.

Bill Gilliland (AT '94) married April Gilbert on 5/29/95.

Steve Dechert (EN '95) and Elizabeth Dabney (EN '96) were married on 5/5/96.

Keith Horst (AT/FL '95) married Erica Coldwell (BY/BA '95) on 3/9/96 in Dallas, Texas. They now live in Harrisonburg, Va.

Matthew Hathaway -Richmond (EE '95) is now working for Hughes Information Technology Systems in Aurora, Colo.

Matt Ruwe (ATFL '95) is now working for Allstate Insurance in Aurora, Colo.

Key Yacoubian (ME '95) married Kerry Abram on 9/23/95 in Dublin, N.H.

Dale Crane, who served on the aviation faculty for many years has been honored with the FAA's "Charles Taylor Award." The award, named after the man who built the Wright brothers' first successful engine, honors technicians who have achieved 50 years in the profession.

Faculty members Andrew "Drew" Smith (Aviation Technology) and Dr. B. Kyun Lee (Engineering) are on their way to new ministries. Drew returns to his alma mater, College of the Ozarks, and Kyun to Korea, where he will serve as a pastor. Our prayers will be with both!

KEEP IN TOUCH!

Send us news of what's happening in your life. Don't be left out.

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Consider a Career at LeTourneau

We are looking for an alumnus to join our Advancement team as Director of Alumni Relations.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Must possess a vibrant and maturing Christian faith and be committed to the mission of private Christian education, with a minimum of a bachelor's degree (master's preferable.) Good writing and communication skills, strong organizational skills and the ability to relate well with people are advantageous. This position involves some travel.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- To communicate the ministry and mission of LeTourneau to our alumni and selected churches
- To maintain consistent personal contact with alumni donors and churches
- To build alumni relations through events and activities such as homecoming, chapter meetings and annual phonathon
- To increase student awareness of the alumni association and its activities
- To build and create key alumni chapters around the nation
- To develop alumni leadership for the University
- To keep current and effective records for alumni
- To communicate the alumni activities to our campus community

COMPENSATION AND BENEFIT PACKAGE: The University offers a competitive salary and a significant benefit package.

START DATE: Immediately

For more information, please contact Jim Hughey, Vice President for Advancement, through the Alumni Office.

Wanted Distinguished Alumni

We invite you to submit nominations for our 1996 **Alumnus of the Year** or **Distinguished Alumni** awards. Candidates should demonstrate a strong personal faith in Christ as well as service to their profession, church, community or LeTourneau University. Contact the Alumni Office for nomination forms. Deadline for nominations is September 1.